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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS				DEFENDANTS			
SEAN MILLER				FRONTIER AIRLINES, INC.			
(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Philadelphia (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)				County of Residence of First Listed Defendant (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.			
(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Adam S. Barrist, Esq., 27 P.O. Box 1820, Media, P	15-432-8829	")		Attorneys (If Known)			
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

CASE MANAGEMENT TRACK DESIGNATION FORM

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FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

DESIGNATION FORM

Place of Accident, Incident, or Transaction: Philadelphia, PA

RELATED CASE IF ANY: Case Number: Judge:			
Does this case involve property included in an earlier numbered suit?			
2. Does this case involve a transaction or occurrence which was the subject of an earlier numbered suit?	Does this case involve a transaction or occurrence which was the subject of an earlier numbered suit?		
3. Does this case involve the validity or infringement of a patent which was the subject of an earlier numbered suit? Yes			
4. Is this case a second or successive habeas corpus petition, social security appeal, or pro se case filed by the same individual?			
5. Is this case related to an earlier numbered suit even though none of the above categories apply? Yes If yes, attach an explanation.			
I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the within case \square is $/ \boxtimes$ is not related to any pending or previously terminated action in this court.			
Civil Litigation Categories			
A. Federal Question Cases: 1. Indemnity Contract, Marine Contract, and All Other Contracts) 1. Insurance Contract and Other Contracts 2. FELA 2. Airplane Personal Injury 3. Assault, Defamation 4. Antitrust 4. Marine Personal Injury 5. Wage and Hour Class Action/Collective Action 5. Motor Vehicle Personal Injury personal General Personal Injury personal In	d on airplane		
I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the remedy sought in this case does / does not have implications beyond the parties before the court and does / does not seek to bar or mandate statewide or nationwide enforcement of a state or federal law including a rule, regulation, policy, or order of the executive branch or a state or federal agency, whether by declaratory judgment and/or any form of injunctive relief.			
ARBITRATION CERTIFICATION (CHECK ONLY ONE BOX BELOW)			
I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief: Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 53.2(3), this case is not eligible for arbitration either because (1) it seeks relief other than money damages sought are in excess of \$150,000 exclusive of interest and costs; (3) it is a social security case, includes a prisoner as a party violation of a right secured by the U.S. Constitution, or (4) jurisdiction is based in whole or in part on 28 U.S.C. § 1343. None of the restrictions in Local Civil Rule 53.2 apply and this case is eligible for arbitration.			

NOTE: A trial de novo will be by jury only if there has been compliance with F.R.C.P. 38.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

SEAN MILLER 3038 Lehigh Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19132	: CIVIL ACTION : No
Plaintiff,	: :
v.	: :
FRONTIER AIRLINES, INC. 4545 Airport Way	· : :
Denver, CO 80239	: :
Defendant.	: :

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, Sean Miller ("Mr. Miller" or "Plaintiff"), through his undersigned attorney, brings the following Complaint against the above-captioned Defendant.

PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff is an adult individual, citizen, resident and domiciliary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with a home address of 3038 Lehigh Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19132.
- Defendant, Frontier Airlines, Inc. ("Frontier" or "Defendant"), is, upon information and belief, a corporation, partnership or other business entity in the State of Colorado, with a principal place of business, place of incorporation and citizenship of 4545 Airport Way, Denver, CO 80239.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 3. Jurisdiction is conferred pursuant to 28 U.S.C §1332 as Plaintiff is a citizen, resident and domiciliary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Defendant is a corporation, partnership or other business entity with a citizenship of and principal place of business in and place of incorporation in the State of Colorado.
- 4. There is, therefore, complete diversity of citizenship between all Plaintiffs and all Defendants.
- 5. At all times material hereto, Frontier is authorized to and does, in fact, regularly and continuously conduct and transact business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in this judicial district, sufficient to satisfy the requirements for exercising either general and/or specific jurisdiction and venue over this Defendant, as more particularly set forth herein.
- 6. At all times material hereto, defendant Frontier is, upon information and belief, registered as a foreign corporation authorized to conduct business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and as such, pursuant to 42 Pa. C.S.A. § 5301(a)(2), has both consented to general personal jurisdiction in Pennsylvania.
- 7. Frontier, at all relevant times, was a common carrier engaged in the business of transporting passengers for hire by air.
- 8. Frontier operates regularly scheduled passenger airline flights from various airports in the United States, including, but not limited to, airports located within this judicial district, namely Philadelphia International Airport, located in Philadelphia, PA.
- 9. The amount in controversy exceeds the sum of \$75,000.00, exclusive of interest, fees and costs.

10. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(1) and (2), as, in addition to that which is set forth in Paragraphs 1-9, above, the personal injuries that are the subject of this litigation occurred in the United States airspace, in destination to Philadelphia, PA, within this District.

FACTS

- 11. On or about September 20, 2024 (the "Incident Date"), Mr. Miller was a lawful paying passenger aboard Frontier Airlines Flight 4948 from Myrtle Beach, SC to Philadelphia, PA.
- 12. During cabin service, Mr. Miller requested and received hot tea.
- 13. The hot water for the tea was presented to Mr. Miller, in highly negligent fashion, filled to the brim, at an unsafely and unreasonably high temperature and without any form of a lid.
- 14. The scalding hot water spilled between his legs, through his clothing and directly onto Mr. Miller's genitalia.
- 15. Mr. Miller was unable to move from his tightly-situated airplane seat after the spill and sat in agony while his body was being burned, as set forth, below.
- 16. Mr. Miller sustained third-degree burns and has been left with disfiguring scars on his penis, testicles and thighs.
- 17. Mr. Miller was met on the ground in Philadelphia by an ambulance and was taken to Jefferson Methodist Hospital.
- 18. Mr. Miller was then transferred to The Jefferson University Hospital Burn Center, due to the severity of his injuries.
- 19. Such violent incident caused Mr. Miller to a) sustain the permanent injuries described

below, that have caused his body to not heal or function normally with further medical treatment; and b) suffer significant financial harm.

<u>COUNT ONE – NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 20. Plaintiff incorporates, by reference, the foregoing paragraphs, as though set forth fully herein.
- 21. As the direct and proximate cause of Defendant's negligence as stated above, Mr. Miller has suffered severe permanent physical and emotional injury and financial loss.
- 22. The injuries that Mr. Miller has sustained are permanent in nature. Mr. Miller has suffered great physical and mental pain and anguish, and in all reasonable probability, will continue to suffer in this manner for a long time in the future, if not for the balance of his natural life.
- 23. As a further result of the above negligent acts committed by Defendant, Mr. Miller has incurred and will continue to incur substantial medical expenses for medical care and attention and will continue to incur additional medical expenses into the foreseeable future.
- 24. In addition, Mr. Miller has suffered other economic injury and will likely continue to suffer such economic injury.
- 25. Defendant, by offering hot beverages to passengers on its airplanes, had a duty to Mr. Miller to provide his requested hot beverage to him in a safe manner that would not subject him to potential injury and disfigurement.
- 26. Defendant breached said duty, as set forth below.
- 27. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid acts, omissions, carelessness and/or negligence on the part of Defendant, Mr. Miller suffered severe personal injuries; has been

and will be in the future, made to endure great pain and suffering and embarrassment, both physical and mental in nature, has been and will be in the future required to expend great sums of money for medical services; has been and will be in the future prevented from attending to his regular activities, duties and responsibilities; has been and will in the future be made to suffer lost earnings and other pecuniary loss.

- 28. The aforesaid accident was caused by the negligence and/or carelessness of Defendant, because it:
 - a) offered hot beverages to passengers on its airplanes, yet failed to provide Plaintiff with his requested hot beverage in safe manner, namely:
 - failing to attach a lid to the hot beverage;
 - filling the hot beverage too high in the cup;
 - handing the hot beverage to Plaintiff in a negligent and otherwise unsafe manner;
 - serving the beverage at too high of a temperature, failing to account for the likelihood of recipients of hot beverages, such as Plaintiff, to burn themselves;
 - b) failed to properly train its cabin staff to deliver hot beverages to passengers in a safe manner; and
 - c) otherwise failed to exercise due care under the circumstances.
- 29. As the result of the above-referenced incident, Mr. Miller suffered painful and serious permanent injuries, including, but not limited to:
 - a) third-degree and other burns and disfiguring scars (including, but not limited to, highly unsightly and embarrassing discoloration) on his penis, scrotum/testicles

and thighs;

- b) significantly decreased sensation in his penis;
- c) sexual dysfunction;
- d) post-traumatic stress disorder and other psychological maladies;
- e) embarrassment and lack of self-esteem;
- f) radiculopathy;
- g) cervicalgia;
- h) nerve damage throughout his body;
- strains, sprains, disc bulges and disc herniations throughout his body, the extent of which is presently unknown; and
- i) additional emotional harm, the extent of which is presently unknown.
- 30. As a result of such accident, Mr. Miller has incurred unreimbursed medical and other expenses and liens that will continue to accrue for an indefinite time into the future.
- 31. As a result of such accident, Mr. Miller suffered grievous pain and suffering and may continue to suffer same for an indefinite time into the future.
- 32. As a further result of such accident, Mr. Miller has suffered and will continue to suffer a loss of life's pleasures.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Sean Miller, demands judgment against the Defendant in an amount in excess of \$150,000.00, plus costs, fees and whatever additional relief that this Honorable Court deems just and appropriate.

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Attorney for Plaintiff

Date: November 10, 2024

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JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff, Sean Miller, hereby demands a trial by twelve (12) jurors.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: November 10, 2024